

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the title as follows:

METHOD OF OPERATING A GAS TURBINE BY HEAVY OIL REFORMING  
METHOD, AN APPARATUS THEREFOR, AND GAS TURBINE POWER  
GENERATION SYSTEM

Please amend the paragraph on page 13, line 1 to read as follows:

In order to provide for ingress of the scavenger in the form of granules in the reformed fuel, a filter or cyclone for excluding the granules may be set on the exit ~~exist~~ side of the scavenging apparatus. In this embodiment of the invention, scavenger 7 is not limited to one type; it is expedient to properly mix other types of scavenger according to the purpose of use of the fuel, for example Ca compounds which react with sulfur atoms, metal oxides which react with vanadium oxides, and alumina, silica or such which adsorb metal oxides or serve as a precipitation bed for sulfates. Also, for obtaining the optimal temperature for the type of scavenger used by changing the temperature conditions for the reactor and the scavenging apparatus, a heater or a heat exchanger may be provided in connecting pipe 5 or scavenging apparatus 6.

Please amend the paragraph on page 19, line 15 to read as follows:

As seen from above, by structuring a power plant combining the above-described heavy oil reforming apparatus of the present invention and a gas turbine, it is possible to solve the problems, such as corrosion of gas turbine equipment, which would arise from the oxidizing reactions of impurities and which have been a bothersome ~~plague~~ problem of the conventional heavy oil-fired burners, and to improve reliability of the equipment.